



Make Grand Teton National Park *your* classroom

NEW—Every Kid in a Park

Attention 4th grade teachers! The new program for 2016, *Every Kid in a Park*, gives every 4th grader the opportunity to experience their public lands. Students in 4th grade may complete an interactive, online activity with their parents or teachers can host an in-class ranger program to get a free federal public lands voucher. www.everykidinapark.gov

Distance Learning

Use basic Skype software to connect to the park for live programs.

Snow Desk: Park Rangers broadcast live to your classroom from a desk made of snow at the base of the Teton Range. During this interactive “talk show,” students learn about wildlife adaptations to the region’s long winter and harsh climate. Suggested grades: 2 – 5. 30 minutes. Jan-Mar only.

Ask a Ranger: Students use online park resources to research Grand Teton and then Skype chat with rangers to learn more about the park or ranger careers. Suggested grades: 3 – 12. 45 minutes.

Park as Classroom: Field Trips

Winter Challenge: Students snowshoe in the footprints of Grand Teton wildlife and use their own inferences and observations to understand animal behaviors and adaptations. Suggested grades K – 2. 4 hours. Snowshoes available. Jan-Mar only.

NEW—Rock the Tetons: Glaciers, canyons and rivers make gargantuan mountains! Students explore with Teton rocks, glacial moraines, and maps to find evidence of processes that made the Teton Range. Grade 4. 4 hours. Fall/Spring.

Weather Wonders: Teaching scientific inquiry is easy when students are curious, and they’ll be inspired by the dramatic Teton Range and snowy valley. Students use a variety of tools to explore and gather data about winter habitat and snow. Suggested grades: 3 – 6. 4 hours. Snowshoes available. Jan-Mar only.

Drawn to Nature: Get your students excited to open their journals and explore their world. This is an interdisciplinary exploration of the park through words, drawing, and field journaling. Suggested grades: 4-6. 3 hours. Fall/Spring.

Mountains and Molehills: Students investigate the different biotic communities that sustain this wild ecosystem. Using a field journal, student compare the meadows, forest and wetlands. Suggested grades: 7 – 12. 2 to 5 hours. Fall/Spring.

Service Learning: Various opportunities to participate in service and citizen science exist, from fish inventories to fencing, depending on park needs and weather. Grades 7-12. Fall/Spring.

Ranger Visits to Classrooms

Rangers are available for in-class visits. Weather dependent.

For schools farther than 1 hour, please have at least three classrooms interested in participating.

Ranger Readers: Rangers lead a Grand Teton story-time adventure and activity with your young students. Suggested grades K – 2. 30 minutes.

Earth History: Geology is easier to understand when you can see its effects right in your own backyard. Rangers bring rock samples and demonstrations to teach rock cycles, glacial geology, and the Teton Range formation. Grades 3 to 6. 45 minutes.

History: Rangers lead a role play and lesson on the citizens coming together to protect the landscape and habitat of Jackson Hole. Based on the historic meeting at Maud Noble cabin that changed the future of the valley. Grades 3 to 6. 45 minutes.

Ecology: Students discover what makes this the wildest ecosystem in the lower 48 through hands on activities with furs, skulls and artifacts. Grades K to 5. 45 minutes.

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